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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:	:	Docket No.: 5169-0011-1-1
Stephen C. Wardlaw	:	Date: August 23, 2005
Serial No.: 10/733,542	:	Group Art Unit: 2863
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TITLE: APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING QUALITY CONTROL  
IN AN INSTRUMENT FOR MEDICAL ANALYSIS

Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL  
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed June 24, 2005, having a period for response set to expire on September 24, 2005. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 14, and 19-24 are pending and are rejected.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this response.